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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)

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Sir:

This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing an Appeal Brief in the above-identified application. Notice of Appeal was filed on 21 December 2004.

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Respectfully submitted,

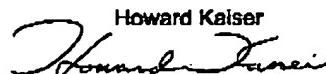

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